

Comments on the proposed conservation of usage of the names *Phymaturus Gravenhorst, 1837* and *Lacerta palluma* Molina, 1782 (currently *Phymaturus palluma*; Reptilia, Sauria) by designation of a neotype for *Lacerta palluma* (Case 3225; see BZN 60: 38–41, 58, 313–314)

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I support this application. The lizard in question has a substantial literature outside of systematics and so stabilizing the name *Phymaturus palluma* will have a salutary effect on communication among biologists.

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In response to the comments by Veloso et al. in BZN 60: 313–314, we make the following comments. The facts relating to the various names in this case are not at issue. However, *Phymaturus palluma* and *Callopiastes maculatus* were consistently and universally applied in the manner supported by our proposal from 1837 until 1985, as acknowledged by Veloso et al. in the first paragraph of their comment to the Commission. As their remaining remarks make clear, the 1985 paper by Cei & Lescure (see also Lescure & Cei, 1991; Veloso et al., 2000) ushered in a two decade period of instability in the previous long accepted usage of the involved names. In contrast, our proposal contributes to stability by preserving over 150 years of prevailing usage by unambiguously establishing the application of the generic and specific names to those taxa with which they have been long associated.

Comments on the proposed conservation of usage of the specific name *Palaeortyx phasianoides* Milne-Edwards, 1869 (Aves, Galliformes) by the designation of a neotype

(Case 3266; see BZN 60: 211–214)

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